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IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-5 (Canceled)

6. (Currently amended) A system for supplying parts as spare parts used for management and maintenance of a product power plant to users, comprising:

a server connected to user terminals and manufacturer terminals for communication; and

a database having ~~at least one piece of accumulated~~ information pertaining to parts for management and maintenance of the product power plant and selected from including information of a time period needed until parts are delivered, information of unit price of parts, information of necessary quantity of parts, information of subtotal price of each part and information of degrees of significance of each part of parts sorted in significance degree as spare parts for employment in said power plant, to replace power plant parts whose loss of function in said power plant would result in stopping of the power plant,

wherein said server is provided with

a function of outputting parts information stored in said database to said user terminals by arraying for display said information of parts in order of significance degrees on the basis of said information of degrees of significance of

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the parts sorted in significance degree as said spare parts for employment in said power plant;

a function of renewing information of parts selected by the users to be selected parts information, in said parts information stored in said database, and

a function of outputting said selected parts information to said manufacturer terminals.

7. (Currently amended) A system according to claim 6, wherein said server is connected further to a terminal of a cooperating manufacturer for communication and has a function of outputting said selected parts information to said terminal of the cooperating manufacturer according to an order acknowledgement about said selected part parts information by said manufacturer terminals.

8. (Previously presented) A system according to claim 7, wherein said server is constructed so as to be communicable only one way to said terminal of the cooperating manufacturer and to refuse access from said terminal of the cooperating manufacturer.

9. (Previously presented) A system according to claim 7, wherein said server is constructed to be able to access

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only limited information from said terminal of the cooperating manufacturer.

10. (Currently amended) A system for supplying parts as spare parts used for management and maintenance of a product power plant to users, comprising:

a server connected to user terminals and manufacturer terminals for communication, wherein

said server has a database having at least one piece of accumulated information pertaining to parts for management and maintenance of the product and selected from including information of a time period needed until parts are delivered, information of unit price of parts, information of necessary quantity of parts, information of subtotal price of each part and information of degrees of significance of each part of parts sorted in significance degree as spare parts for employment in said power plant, to replace power plant parts whose loss of function in said power plant would result in stopping of the power plant, and

said server is provided with a function of outputting parts information stored in said database to said user terminals by arraying for display said information of parts in order of significance degrees on the basis of said information of degrees of significance of

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the parts sorted in significance degree as said spare parts
for employment in said power plant;

a function of receiving selected parts information selected at the user terminals from said user terminals and outputting to said manufacturer terminals, and

a function of outputting said selected parts information to a terminal of a cooperating manufacturer according to an order acknowledgment about said selected part information by said manufacturer terminals.